## REMARKS

The specification has been amended to recite that the present application claims priority benefits from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/516,777 entitled "Setting Numerically Controlled Delay Lock Loops Using Step Sizes Based on Delay," filed November 3, 2003, which is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicant can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Account No. 13-0017 in connection with this Preliminary Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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